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For : COPOLYMER 1 RELATED POLYPEPTIDES FOR USE AS MOLECULAR WEIGHT MARKERS AND FOR THERAPEUTIC USE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO THE ACCOMPANYING CONTINUATION
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Applicants request that the following amendment be made in the above-identified application:

In the Specification:

On page 1, after the title, please delete the first sentence and insert the following new sentence:

--This application is a continuation of PCT International Application No. PCT/US99/22402, filed September 24, 1999, designating the United States of America, which is claiming the priority of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/101,693, filed September 25, 1998, the contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference into the present application. -

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